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Location

1. The Tallinn Machine Building Plant (Tallinna Masinajähtustehas) is located on Kalinin (formerly Kopli) Street in Tallinn. During Estonia's independence it belonged to the 'Frans Krull, Ltd.' firm and produced railway engines, equipment for starch and spirits factories, freezing machines, peat presses, etc. A large proportion of its output was exported among other countries to Latvia and Lithuania.

Production

2. Officially the Tallinn Machine Building Plant is subordinated to the USSR Ministry for the Naphtha Industry and manufactures mainly oil-bearing towers, centrifugal pumps of steel alloy, crystallizers, seven-ton unical [sic] pumps, cisterns for storing gasoline and kerosene, cistern-cars for the transport of gasoline, belt transporters and special 500-ton furnaces.
3. The Tallinn Machine Building Plant has a so-called 'tractor repair shop' which actually repairs tanks of the armored troops stationed at Voru, on the island of Saaremaa and around Tallinn. The 'tractor repair shop' manufactures wheels and rolls for belt-tractors, various chassis and excavators. This shop cooperates closely with Tank Shop No. 185, with the Kirov Works in Leningrad and is actually a branch of the Leningrad shop. In addition to repairing tanks the Tallinn Machine Building Plant modernizes older tanks.

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Number of Workers and Management

4. "The Tallinn Machine Building Plant has been enlarged considerably since World War II, particularly the steel casting department. At present the plant has 2000 workers. The manager is a Georgian, Salva Chopikashvili and the political posts are held by Soviets. Secretary to the CP committee is Ella Vasilievskaja and head of the cadres department is Klavdia Poltraka. On the other hand, among the technical personnel there are many Estonians with Chief Engineer Feliks Jürgens at their head.

Divisions of Plant

5. "The plant has a steel casting shop, a pig iron casting shop, a furnace shop, a mechanical shop, a model shop, and an apparatus shop. It has a chemical and a technological laboratory, a rationalization bureau and a construction bureau.
6. "Within the framework of the current five-year-plan the plant is engaged in a socialist competition with the Stalingrad Machine Building Plant."

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